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SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL GUINEAN DIPLOMATIC INITIATIVES RE ANGOLA

REF: FREETOWN 0282

1. FOLLOWING SIERRA LEONE RECOGNITION OF MPLA, EFFECTIVE JAN 28, PRESIDENT SEKOU TOURE AND PRESIDENT STEVENS HAD PRIVATE MEETING IN FARANA, GUINEA, ON JAN 30. COMMUNIQUE OVER GUINEAN RADIO ONCE MORE ANNOUNCED SIERRA LEONE RECOGNITION, AND NOT SURPRISINGLY FOR LOCAL CONSUMPTION, TENDED GIVE IMPRESSION THAT THIS DECISION STEMMED FROM GUINEAN INITIATIVE. SEKOU TOURE FOLLOWED UP WITH NEW LETTER TO EACH OF 24 RECOGNIZING AFRICAN COUNTRIES STATING THAT MAJORITY OF OAU STATES HAD NOW RECOGNIZED MPLA, WHICH CONSTITUTED EFFECTIVE OAU RECOGNITION.

2. ON JAN 31 DELEGATION FROM CAPE VERDE ISLANDS HEADED
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BY PRIMIN PEDRO PIRES VISITED CONAKRY. BENIN FOREIGN MIN-

ISTER MAJ ALLADAYE ALSO ARRIVED, AND THREE-WAY COMMUNIQUE
REPEATED THAT OAU HAS NOW AUTOMATICALLY RECOGNIZED MPLA
AND THAT ANGOLA SHOULD BE CONSIDERED OAU MEMBER.

3. AMERICAN NON-DIPLOMATIC SOURCE, FOLLOWING CONVERSATION WITH
GUINEAN AIRPORT OFFICIAL, HAS REPORTED THAT GUINEAN MILITARY
CONTINGENT DEPARTED CONAKRY JAN 30 OR 31 VIA SOVIET AIRLIFT
FOR ANGOLA. (COMMENT: EMBASSY CANNOT CONFIRM THIS, AND NO
PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT YET. THERE HAVE BEEN UNCONFIRMED RUMORS
OF THIS OVER PAST TWO WEEKS.)
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